

Memo to file

December 30, 2003

From: Peter E. Kurtze
Administrator, Evaluation and Registration

Re: M: 23-139
John Ward Savage Property

The property documented in the following MIHP form has not been formally evaluated for eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The comments in the text are those of the preparer of the documentation. The State Historic Preservation Officer has neither concurred nor disagreed with those comments.

CAPSULE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey No.: M:23-139 (PACS 9.9) Construction Date: 1935

Name: John Ward Savage Property

Location: 17025 Georgia Avenue, Olney vicinity, Montgomery County

Private/Residence/Occupied/Fair/Yes:restricted

Description:

The John Ward Savage Property is a 1-story, 3-bay side-gable vernacular "cottage" with Colonial Revival-style features. The property is located on the east side of Georgia Avenue in the Olney vicinity, Montgomery County. Constructed in 1935, the building is predominantly L-shaped in plan consisting of a principle side-gable section with a rear ell. A gable roof sunroom was added to the north elevation. The structure has a parged concrete foundation, aluminum siding exterior and an asphalt shingle roof. It is of wood-frame construction with two brick chimneys. The first chimney is located on the exterior of the north gable end, while the second is an interior chimney located at the intersection of the main block and rear ell. The house has a small entry porch on the front elevation and a shed roof porch along the south elevation of the rear ell. The entry porch has a front-gable roof supported by two posts.

Significance:

The land comprising the John Ward Savage Property was part of a larger tract of land which extended along both sides of Georgia Avenue and was used for agricultural purposes. Ward and Cora Savage bought 28.3 hectares (69.89 acres) of land from William E. Dill in 1921. Ward and Cora Savage began subdividing the land into small residential lots along Georgia Avenue and Old Baltimore Road in the late 1920s. John Ward Savage bought a .32 hectare (.802 acre) parcel in 1933. A covenant on the deed restricted the value of a house constructed on the lot to cost no less than \$4500.00. According to Montgomery County Tax Records, a house was constructed on the lot in 1935. In 1946, John Ward and Dorothea Savage sold the property to Alden and Viola Edelin. David and Marion Crook bought the house in 1949. The current owner Ray Robert Nenstiel bought the property in 1975. The lot retains its original size of .32 hectares (.802 acres).

Maryland Historical Trust
Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form
Montgomery-Prince George's Short-term Congestion Relief

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name: (indicate preferred name)

historic John Ward Savage Property (preferred)

and/or common Nenstiel Property

2. Location:

street & number 17025 Georgia Avenue

N/A not for publication

city, town Olney ☒ vicinity of

congressional district

state Maryland

county

Montgomery

3. Classification:

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	

4. Owner of Property: (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Ray R. and D.L. Nenstiel

street & number P.O. Box 194

telephone no.:

city, town Olney

state and zip code MD 20832

5. Location of Legal Description

Land Records Office of Montgomery County

liber 4709

street & number Montgomery County Judicial Center

folio 869

city, town Rockville

state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Resource Count: 3

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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The structure has a parged concrete foundation, aluminum siding exterior and an asphalt shingle roof. It is of wood-frame construction with two brick chimneys. The first chimney is located on the exterior of the north gable end, while the second is an interior chimney located at the intersection of the main block and rear ell. The house has a small entry porch on the front elevation and a shed roof porch along the south elevation of the rear ell. The entry porch has a front-gable roof supported by two posts.

Within the entry porch, on the west or front facade, is a 6-light wood panel door and aluminum storm door. The doorway is flanked by two fluted pilasters, topped by an architrave with dentil molding. A 12-light bow window and a pair of wood 6/1 double-hung windows are also located on the front elevation. The bow window is a later replacement of an earlier window opening, evidenced by its later style and molding surround. Metal awnings are located over both window openings.

The north elevation, and gable end, of the side-gable section has two wood 6/1 double-hung windows flanking the exterior brick chimney. The 1-story sunroom added to the north elevation has a gable roof, concrete foundation and bands of vinyl sliding windows on all sides. On each elevation are two fixed sash lights below the sliding windows. The north elevation of the rear ell has a wood 6/6 double-hung window and a wood 3-light awning window.

The rear elevation has a pair of wood 6/1 double-hung windows and a wood 6/1 double-hung window on the main side-gable section. The rear elevation of the rear ell has a 4-light wood panel door with a wood and screen storm door. The elevation also has a wood 6/1 double-hung window and a metal 6-light awning window. The windows on the rear elevation have metal awnings.

The south elevation, and gable end, of the side-gable section has two wood 6/1 double-hung windows with awnings on the first story. The second story has a wood 6/1 double-hung window, which has been partially boarded over and filled with a metal ventilator. The south elevation of the rear ell has the 1-story shed roof porch supported by two wood posts. Within the porch are a 9-light wood panel door and a metal 6-light casement window.

There are two outbuildings associated with this property. The first outbuilding is a brick garage with a front-gable roof covered with asphalt shingles. Constructed in 1940, it is of masonry construction with a wood overhead door on the west elevation and a 6-light wood panel door on the south elevation. The structure is located immediately southwest of the house.

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The second outbuilding is a small prefabricated shed, with a gambrel roof covered with asphalt shingles. Constructed circa 1980, it is of wood-frame construction with textured grooved plywood siding and double hinged doors on the south elevation. The structure is located northeast of the house.

The property is located on the east side of Georgia Avenue, with residential property to the north, east and south. Single-family residences from the early to mid-twentieth century are located to the north and east, while the Berry/Mackall House (M:23-104), a farmhouse with barn and carriage house constructed between 1853 and 1857, is located on the south side of the property.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archaeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communication	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)	

Specific dates 1935

Builder/Architect Unknown

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or
Applicable Exceptions: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G
Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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The John Ward Savage Property is located in the vicinity of Olney. The settlement of Olney began before 1800 as a cross-roads village at the intersection of Brookeville/Washington Pike Road (now Georgia Avenue - MD 97) and Sandy Spring/Mechanicsville Road (now Olney-Sandy Spring Road - MD 108). The initial name for the area was Fair Hill, however it soon became known as Mechanicsville, for the large number of craftsman and artisans who settled at the cross-roads. Olney became the official name of the community in 1851. Olney's importance throughout the nineteenth century derived from its ability to provide goods and services to travelers and the surrounding agricultural region. In 1865, Martenet and Bond's Map of Montgomery County, Maryland shows several businesses, a seminary, schoolhouse and Episcopal Church. Most of the structures were destroyed by fire or demolished for road construction during the twentieth century. Two structures which remain of the historic village of Olney are the St. John's Episcopal Church (1842) and the Olney House (1841) (Maryland Historical Trust Worksheet-Nomination Form: Olney Historic District).

John Ward Savage constructed a side-gable vernacular "cottage" with Colonial Revival-style features on the lot in 1935. Between 1870 and 1940 the vernacular cottage style was typically built for Americans of modest means. They are characterized by simple ornamentation and mass-produced components, such as door frames, moldings, sash and window units, and porch decoration. The development of post-Civil War machinery capable of producing large amounts of standardized housing elements, such as those found in cottages, contributed greatly to the development of the modern American housing industry. Designs for vernacular cottages were obtained from popular magazines, such as House Beautiful, or carpenter's and builder's journals, such as American Builder. A variety of front-gable, side-gable, cross-gable and hipped roof frame cottages were

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developed in the early to mid-twentieth century. Front-gable and hipped roof cottages are primarily 1 to 1½-stories tall, 3-bays wide and several rooms deep. Side-gable and cross-gable structures are usually 2 to 2½-stories tall, are typically 2 to 3-bays in width and vary from one to three rooms deep. They usually include a porch covered with a shed roof. Porches are supported by posts often containing machine-produced Victorian ornamentation. Some cottages feature ornamentation drawn from Craftsman style or Colonial Revival architecture (Gottfried and Jennings 1988, viii-xv).

National Register Evaluation:

Constructed in 1935, the John Ward Savage Property is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property is not eligible under Criterion A, as research conducted indicates no association with any historic events or trends significant in the development of national, state, or local history. Historic research indicates that the property has no association with persons who have made specific contributions to history, and therefore, it does not meet Criterion B. It is not eligible under Criterion C, as it is an undistinguished example of a common building type which lacks architectural and material integrity. The building's design and material have been altered by the addition of the sunroom on the north elevation, replacement of several windows, including the addition of a bow window on the front elevation, and application of aluminum siding. Finally, preliminary studies conducted for this project indicate the need for further assessment of the archaeological potential of this property. Therefore, no evaluation under Criterion D is being conducted at this time.

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Eligibility recommended _____
Comments _____

Eligibility Not Recommended _____

Reviewer, OPS: _____ Date: _____
Reviewer, NR Program: _____ Date: _____

9. Major Bibliographical References Survey No: M:23-139(PACS 9.9)

See Attached

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____
Quadrangle name Sandy Spring Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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state Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposed only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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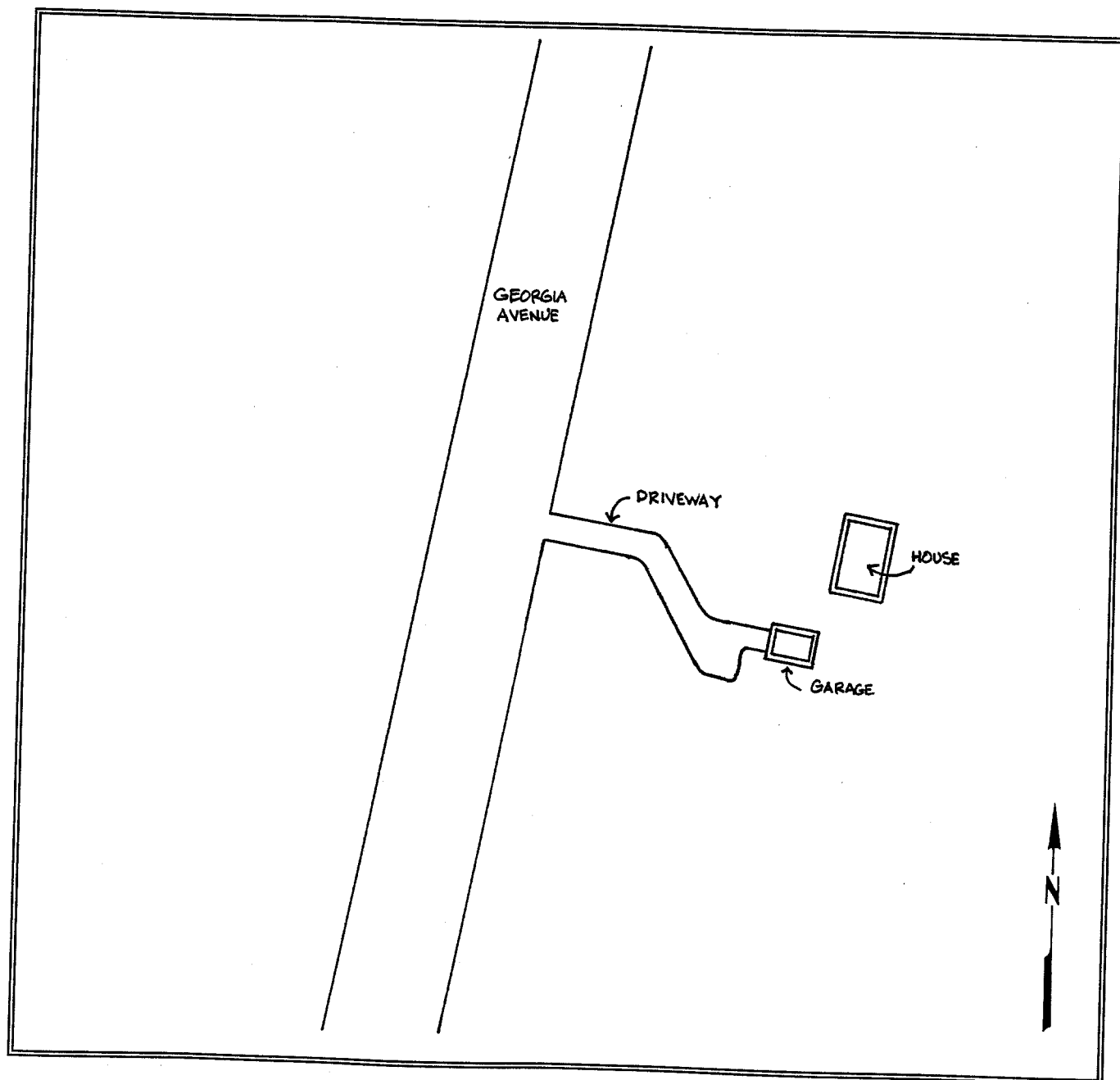
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10. Geographical Data (Continued)

Resource Sketch Map:



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Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data Sheet

Historic Context:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

Piedmont

Chronological/Developmental Period (s):

Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture

RESOURCE TYPE:

Category (see Section 3 of survey form):

Building(s)

Historic Environment (urban, suburban, village, or rural):

Suburban

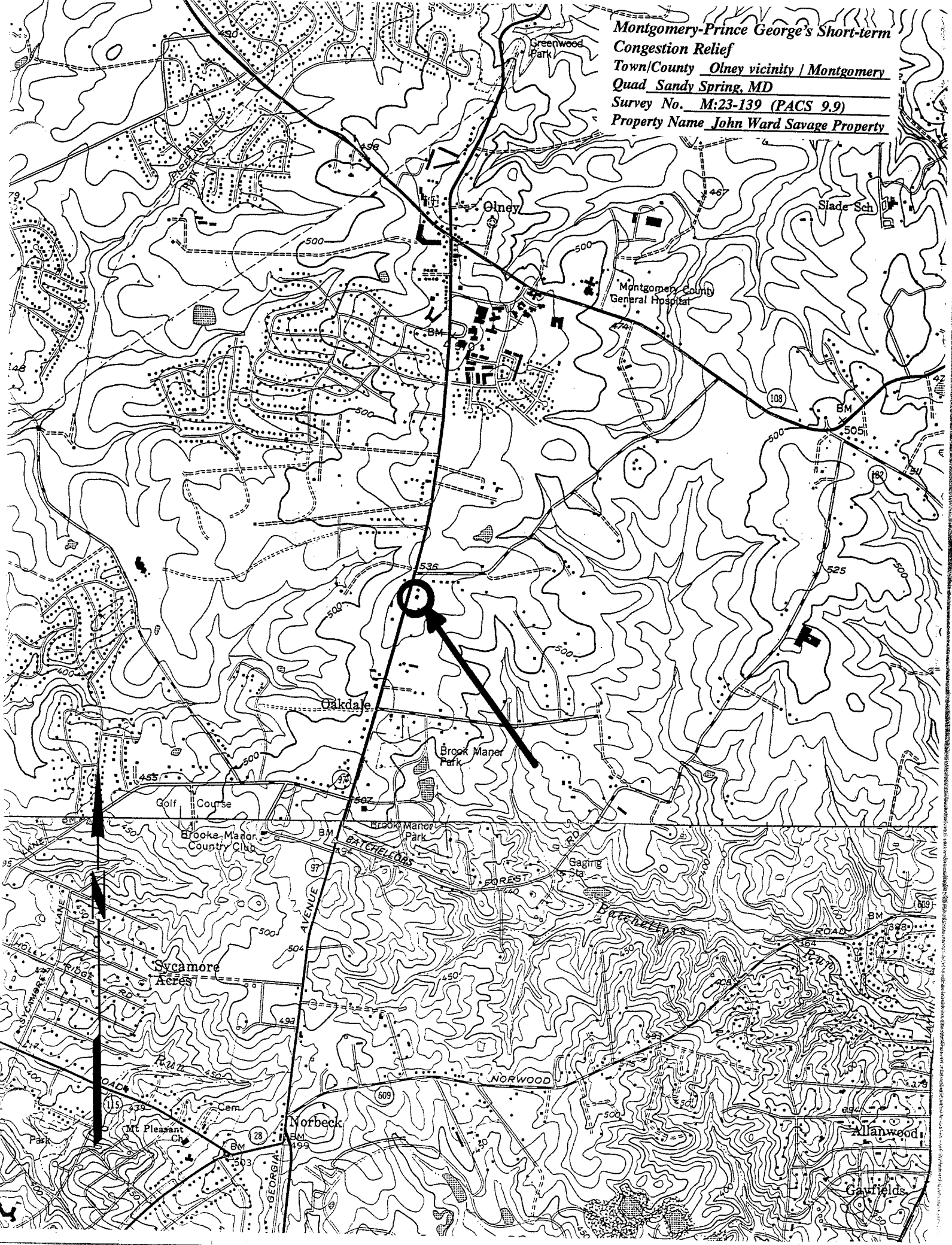
Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

Private Residence

Known Design Source (write none if unknown):

None

Montgomery-Prince George's Short-term
Congestion Relief
Town/County Olney vicinity / Montgomery
Quad Sandy Spring, MD
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JOHN WARD SAVAGE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY CO., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

4-98

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MAR-LAND SUPO

FRONT ELEVATION

1/10



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JOHN WARD SAVAGE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY CO., MD

TIM TANBURRO

4-98

PP00071 444442

MARYLAND S4P0

NORTHWEST CORNER

2/10



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JOHN WARD SAVAGE PROPERTY
MONTGOMERY CO., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

4-98

4-98-0000071 44412

MARYLAND SHPO

NORTH ELEVATION

3/10



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JOHN WARD SAVAGE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY CO. MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

4-98

783 0271 W H N 13

MARYLAND S4PO

NORTHEAST CORNER

4/10



M-23-139

JOHN WARD SAVAGE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY CO., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

4-98

19900271 N N H 17

MARYLAND SLPO

REAR ELEVATION

5110



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JOHN WARD SAVAGE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY CO., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

4-98

19900271 MARCH 12

MARYLAND SUPD

SOUTHEAST CORNER

6/10



M-23-139

JOHN WARD SAVAGE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY CO., MD

TIM TAMBUCCINO

4-98

930271 444442

MARYLAND E4PO

SHED, VIEW FROM NORTH

7/10



M-23-139

JOHN WARD SAVAGE PROPERTY
MONTGOMERY CO., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

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MARYLAND SHPO

GARAGE, VIEW FROM WEST

8/10



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JOHN WARD SAUVE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY CO., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

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MARYLAND SHPO

SOUTH ELEVATION

9/10



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JOHN WARD SAVAGE PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY CO., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

4-98

MARYLAND SHPO

SOUTHWEST CORNER AND GARAGE

10/10